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MDA to review 300 CA sites applications

Hanchya-Sathagalli velodrome project likely to be approved

MDA Chairman and DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy chairing the MDA meeting at its office in city this morning.

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&BCT)- Allotment of 300 Civic Amenities (CA) sites for various Government bodies and Government-allied institutions took centre stage at the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) meeting that began this morning at its JLB Road office.

Though media entry was barred, sources told *Star of Mysore* that the CA site allotment would be discussed in detail. Before the formation of the MDA, the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) had, in 2022, issued a notification inviting applications for the allotment of 300 CA sites.

(See 300 CA SITES on page 8)

Real estate sector pins hopes on MDA meeting

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&BCT)- Today's MDA meeting has raised hopes for the real estate sector — one of the Authority's key sources of revenue — which is currently witnessing a slowdown.

The absence of timely meetings had stalled approvals for new residential layouts, bringing project planning and execution to a standstill.

Developers are reeling under mounting financial pressure due to rising loan interest rates and shrinking returns on investment. Delays have also eroded customer trust, as developers struggle to deliver sites on time.

Industry representatives have voiced concerns that prolonged uncertainty is discouraging fresh investments and dragging down related business activities. Banking transactions linked to new projects have also been impacted. Government coffers, too, are feeling the pinch, as this once-steady revenue stream has all but dried up.

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 8th August 2025

Science Sanje: Talk on 'Stroke' at Suruchi Rangamane

Mysuru, Aug. 8- Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali-Kannada will present Science Sanje event on Aug. 9 at Suruchi Rangamane in Kuvempunagar from 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

Dr. Sharma

Dr. Suryanarayana Sharma, Senior Neurologist and Stroke Expert, Apollo Hospital, Bengaluru, will deliver a talk on 'Stroke.'

Dr. Suryanarayana Sharma completed his medical education in Mysuru and Bengaluru. Later he received Fellowship from Singapore National University for 'Stroke Treatment.'

Dr. Sharma treated thousands of stroke patients in the past two decades. At present, he is working as Neurosurgeon at Apollo Hospital in Bengaluru.

He has written number of articles in medical literature and is also a patron of literature.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

SOFTENED HEARTS AGAINST EXPLOITATION: ***World Day Against Trafficking in Persons on 30 July sounds like something for specialists. However, each of us benefits invisibly from labour trafficking, which is defined as the use of force, fraud, or coercion to transport people and obtain cheap labour from them — practices that are rampant worldwide.***

Extracting maximum work at minimum expense is a phenomenon that began as soon as one person began working for another who had more power over resources such as land. Over time, inequalities developed between people who were otherwise equal by birth. Inequality in practice was gradually twisted into inequality in principle. The Greek philosopher, Aristotle, wrote that slavery was natural and that human beings came in two types — slaves and non-slaves, with the former needing the latter to run their lives. In India, a similar mindset had long crystallised into the jaati or caste system with spiritual trappings added unlike anywhere else in the world.

In the Bible, the chapter that follows immediately after the exposition of the Ten Commandments begins with the treatment of slaves. Of the Commandments, only the first three are religious. The fourth, even if couched in religious language, goes straight into labour rights — a Sabbath day of rest for all including workers. The Bible is then replete with verses such as: "Do not take advantage of workers, whether one of your own or one of the migrant labourers who is in your land. You shall give them their wages on the day, for they set their hearts on it; so that they will not cry against you to the Lord and it become sin in you." The earliest description by Jesus of his upcoming work was: "The Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor, to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free." Jesus's good news of salvation through his sacrifice needs a heart transformation to accept (in fact, no one is born a Christian; rather, every person needs a tender heart-conversion), and that repentant humaneness is the basis for a society that confronts oppression. The Bible goes on to condemn slave trade (human trafficking), which was banned centuries later. We, too, resist slavery every time we ensure a minimum wage for the most vulnerable.

—Som Thomas in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Scammed into buying 300 years gym membership

Beijing: A man was recently scammed by a gym in Hangzhou, China, into spending more than 870,000 yuan ($1,21,000) on hundreds of years of gym memberships and private lessons.

The victim, referred to only as Jin by Chinese media, had been training at the Ranyan Fitness gym in his home city for three years, when he was approached by a salesperson with an offer he simply couldn't refuse. Jin was told that Ranyan was launching a special offer for loyal members only, selling them cheap long-term memberships that they would then resell to new members for double the price. As it often happens, it all turned out to be too good to be true.

"Between May 10th and July 9th, I purchased nearly 1,200 classes and 300 annual memberships at Ranyan Fitness, spending a total of 871,273.27 yuan," Jin said, adding that all he got in return was 26 thick contracts that clearly stated that "membership benefits are non-transferable."

Unique roof-mounted vehicle cooling units

Kabul: Afghan taxi drivers are turning to handmade roof-mounted rudimentary cooling units as car AC units break down too often and repairs are too expensive.

In Kandahar, one can see taxis with large rectangular boxes mounted on the roof and large tubes extending from them and into the cabin, through a rear window or through a hole cut into the roof. They are handmade cooling devices meant to replace the cars' built-in air-conditioning systems, which tend to break down when they are most needed and cost a fortune to repair. Similar to industrial evaporative air cooling installations, these boxes can lower temperatures by 12 degrees Celsius through water evaporation, they are less noisy than air conditioning systems and consume way less power. They're just not meant for vehicle installation.

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Moonlight music concert at Suttur Mutt tomorrow

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Mysuru, Aug. 8- The 282nd edition of moonlight music concert will be held at Suttur Mutt branch located at the foot of Chamundi Hill in city on Aug. 9 at 6 pm.

Vidu. Dr. Shubhamangala Raghunandan will present a vocal concert accompanied by Vid. G. Venkatesh Joisar on violin, Vid. Dr. C. Chaluvaraju on mridanga and Vid. N. Gurumurthy on ghata.

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- ***Axolotls breed in the wild generally from March to June. From 100 to 300 eggs are deposited in the water and attached to substrates. Eggs hatch at 10 to 14 days and the young are immediately independent.***
- ***A starfish with 100 arms is not a typical or commonly found species. The vast majority of starfish, also known as sea stars, have five arms, although some species can have more. The sunflower sea star, for example, can have 15 to 24 arms. The crown-of-thorns starfish can have up to 21 arms. The Antarctic species Labidiaster annulatus can have more than fifty arms.***

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Ramu: *I have lost my buffalo.*

Rangappa: *The buffalo will go home by itself. You don't have to worry.*

Ramu: *But I don't know the way home. It was only the buffalo who knew the way home.*

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1 US Dollar	= Rs. 87.60
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VOICE OF THE READER

Unchecked stray dog menace puts public safety at risk

Sir,

Stray dog menace has become a huge problem in our city. Quite regularly, reports appear in newspapers about attacks on children and the elderly by packs of stray dogs.

There have been many incidents of accidents involving two-wheeler riders caused by ferocious chases by stray dogs. Many years ago, the dog squad of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) used to visit areas with a high stray dog population. They either killed the dogs by poisoning or took them away in dog vans.

As people and associations — who are more concerned about cruelty to animals than the safety of human beings — began raising a hue and cry, the dog squad was disbanded. Instead, sterilisation of dogs was introduced to control reproduction.

Even that sterilisation drive has not been carried out regularly. Otherwise, by now, the number of stray dogs should have drastically come down.

Animal lovers who feed stray dogs daily with bagfuls of biscuits, as if performing a noble deed that earns them 'punya', and MCC authorities who turn a blind eye to the growing stray dog menace, fail to understand the seriousness of the issue.

There is no ecological role for stray dogs in the urban ecosystem, unlike wild or domesticated animals.

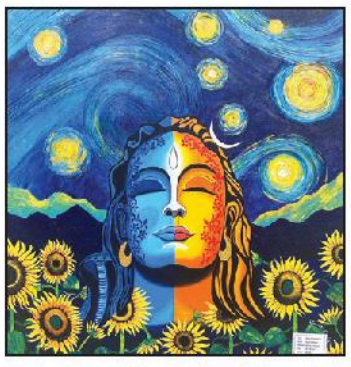
If one visits European countries, dogs can be seen in hotels, malls, tourist places and metro stations, but they are owned, leashed, trained and well-behaved. Even when taken for a walk, owners are required to carry tools to pick up their excrement.

Let the MCC authorities take this issue seriously and initiate a time-bound sterilisation programme for both male and female stray dogs, so that no more puppies are added and the existing population gradually declines. Stray dogs should be taken in and housed in open, fenced spaces with basic food and care provided.

— B.G. Balaji
Kanakadasanagara
7.8.2025

'Impressions' perceptive art expo from tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (OSR)- 'Impressions' is a curated collection that captures the essence of perception-moments held in paint before they fade into memory. Each artist in this exhibition treats the canvas as a space for experimentation, where instinct, observation and exploration converge.



The result is a vibrant array of images that defy definition: visuals fractured by shifting light, figures glimpsed in motion, and forms that dissolve and reform with every glance.

The exhibition opens on Aug. 9 at 11 am at Heritage House, Indian Heritage Cities Network, Kantharaja Urs Road.

Rather than presenting fixed narratives or polished conclusions, 'Impressions' celebrates the unexpected and the immediate. It invites viewers to engage not as passive observers, but as active participants in the experience of seeing.

Participating artists: Balu Bhaskar, Gowthami Kalchar, Jyoti Machigad, Nutan Raj, Puja Sharma, M. Shivaraj, Surena Shetty and Suvarna Magaji

The paintings on display are records of encounters — between artist and subject, colour and surface, intention and chance. Curated and coordinated by Galerie Crescent, the exhibition will remain open until Aug. 16 from 11 am to 6 pm.

National Space Day 2025 at KSOU

Miniature space models draw curious students

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (GA&BS)- National Space Day was jointly celebrated by Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) in association with Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), at its Convocation Hall in city recently.

As part of Space Day, the miniature models of ISRO designed satellites and rockets were displayed at the premises, that kindled curiosity among the students of various schools and visitors alike.

M.R. Raghavendra, Deputy Director, Telemetry, Tracking and Commanding Network (ISTRAC), ISRO delivered a lecture on the topic "Aryabhata to Gaganyaan: Ancient Wisdom to Infinite Possibilities".

Raghavendra said "There is a long history in the field of space in the country, with the rich repository of knowledge of Aryabhata, laying a firm foundation for ISRO. The planetary movements, distance and width of the earth had been accurately identified by Aryabhata. So also other astronomers namely Varahamihira, Brahmagupta, Bhaskara and others, had a fine knowledge of Mathematics, which all have come in handy for ISRO to propel further."

ISRO's Chandrayaan Mission, Aditya L1 and several other Space programmes, are the results of the history of knowledge. Several projects are lined up till 2050, which include Space Station, Gaganyaan, study of Venus, Moon and man's mission to space and the Moon.

Vice-chancellor of University of Mysore, Prof. N.K. Lokanath said, with these programmes, the students must develop an understanding of functioning of the scientists and contribute to the progress of aerospace sector.

KSOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse, Registrar Prof. S.K. Naveen Kumar, Chairman of Alternate Committee, World Space Week, Jasvinder Singh Khoral, Local Committee Chairman Nandini Harinath and LHWC General Manager Shivaprasad were present.

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Pratibha Puraskar

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Ph.D awardee

D.J. Shruthi has been awarded Ph.D in Zoology by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her thesis 'Investigation of Ant Diversity in Post Chromite Mining Ecosystem and Grazing Pasture Ecosystem' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M. Prathibha.

MGP meet on potholes and drainage issues

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BCT)- Traffic accidents in Mysuru have become a pressing concern. Among the leading causes: Potholes — especially hazardous for two-wheeler riders during and after rains.

Despite the recurring danger, the city lacks a regular system to identify and repair potholes, leaving many roads in disrepair.

To address these critical issues, Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) is organising a public meeting on Sunday, Aug. 10, at 4 pm, at 6/1 Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, Mysuru. Citizens are invited to attend and engage directly with civic officials. For more details, contact: 99009-50366 or 0821-2515150.

The meeting will bring together key officials, including MCC Deputy Commissioner, Superintendent Engineer Manju, Executive Engineer Srinivas and B.N. Chandrashekar, Municipal Commissioner of Hootagalli

Discussions will focus on road safety, pothole management, and drainage infrastructure. Overflowing drains during monsoons have made travel hazardous for both motorists and pedestrians.

MLA GTD asks officials to prepare action plans within revenue limits

MLA G.T. Devegowda presiding over the progress review meeting of Chamundeshwari Constituency at Zilla Panchayat Office in city on Wednesday as DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy and others look on.

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&DM)- Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) has directed officials of Town Panchayats and CMC coming under his Constituency to prepare action plans for projects and execution of works, within the limits of Tax Revenue earnings.

He was speaking after presiding over the progress review meeting of Chamundeshwari Constituency at Mysuru Zilla Panchayat (ZP) here on Wednesday.

Stressing on the need for providing pure drinking water to every household, he warned of action against officials who behave in an apathetic manner.

"There are many incidents of man-animal conflicts in villages bordering the forests. The Forest Department should take appropriate measures to prevent wild animal attacks on human beings. Also, dysfunctional street lights should be repaired. Many villagers have been complaining about stray dogs menace and officials must take action in this regard. Revenue Department officials must visit villages and mark Government lands for schools, hospitals and burial grounds and also do khata for such lands," he instructed the officials.

Continuing, GTD said "There are complaints that tillers are not issued *Hakkupatra* for cultivation in *Gomaalas* at some places. The ADLRs and DDLRs should survey *Gomaala* lands and prepare records. Waste management should be taken up in Gram Panchayat limits," he said and added that the issue of dumping wastes along the Outer Ring Road must be addressed.

Noting that bushes, shrubs and weeds have covered many parks, he directed the officials to clear the parks of weeds. Pointing out that the responsibility of officials has further increased after private layouts were handed over to Hootagalli CMC and Srirampura, Kadakola, Rammanahalli and Bogadi Town Panchayats, he emphasised on the need for appropriate revision and collection of Property Tax and to prepare action plans only within the limits of Revenue collections. GTD further directed the officials to hand over pure drinking water units to the respective local bodies within a couple of days.

ZP CEO S. Ukesh Kumar said that the operations contract of pure drinking water units installed by Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Department has expired and correspondence in respect of handing over such units coming under ZP, is underway.

MLA directs for issuance of notice to absentee officials

Upset over the absence of Police and taluk-level officials at the meeting, GTD directed the officials to issue a notice to all absentee officials seeking reason and asked the Executive Officer (EO) of Mysuru TP to submit a report to him in this regard.

DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, MDA Commissioner K.R. Rakshith, Mysuru TP Administrative Officer Savitha, EO Krishna, Tahsildar Mahesh Kumar, CESC SE Sunil Kumar, KSRTC Divisional Controller Veeresh, District Urban Planning cell Planning Director V. Priyadarshini and other officials were present.

BJP dismisses Lakshmana's rigging allegations in LS polls

City BJP President L. Nagendra addressing a press meet at BJP Office in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&DM)- Dismissing the allegations of KPCC Spokesperson M. Lakshmana who had contested the 2024 LS polls as the Congress candidate from Mysuru-Kodagu seat, that the polls were rigged in Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat as well, the city BJP has lashed out at the Congress for making such fictitious allegations.

Addressing a press meet at the BJP Office in Chamarajapuram here yesterday, City BJP President L. Nagendra ridiculed the claims of Opposition leader in the Lok Sabha (LS) Rahul Gandhi that he would explode an atom bomb in respect of poll rigging by the ruling BJP.

Wondering whether the Congress party, which got over a whopping 80,000 lead in N.R. Assembly segment in the LS polls last year, had rigged the polls to get such a huge lead, Nagendra asserted that the LS polls were held in the most fair and transparent manner with no scope for any rigging or other poll malpractices.

Pointing out that people treated BJP candidate Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar with utmost respect when he visited villages in the run up to LS polls, he questioned whether the Congress, which is ruling the State, had been fair in the conduct of elections.

Maintaining that the Congress should not make baseless allegations against the Election Commission, he alleged that the Congress had distributed large sums of money in many Assembly segments of Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat.

"Rahul Gandhi should be ashamed of making baseless and frivolous allegations against the Election Commission, which is an autonomous body. Rahul's claim of rampant rigging in LS polls is ridiculous and made out of frustration for having miserably lost the polls", he said.

Lashing out at MLC Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah for his claim that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had contributed more than Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar for the development of Mysuru, Nagendra wondered whether Siddaramaiah had carried out development works out of his own money. Chiding the Congress for targeting Nalwadi by saying that the erstwhile Mysuru ruler had developed Mysuru out of the tax payers money, he asked the Congressmen to stop making such ridiculous and shameless remarks against Nalwadi.

Taking the State Congress Government to task for its failure to crackdown on drug rackets operating in the city, with the Maharashtra Police unearthing a clandestine mega drug manufacturing unit along the Ring Road in Narasimharaja (NR) Police limits and recovering a huge haul of drugs worth several hundreds of crores of rupees, Nagendra questioned the failure of the Police and State Intelligence.

BJP spokesperson M.A. Mohan who also addressed the press meet, maintained that Tipu's name did not originate from Arabic or Urdu. Arguing that the earlier name of Tipu was Thippesh, as his father Hyder Ali had vowed at Chitradurga Nayakana Hatti's Tipperudraswamy Mutt for begetting a child, he said that Hyder Ali had named his son who was born after his vow as Tippesh, which gradually turned out as Tipu and later as Tipu Sultan.

Strongly condemning the Congress for its stand on the erstwhile Mysuru Maharajas, he said that the Congress Government had even failed to properly maintain KRS Dam, which was built by Nalwadi by pledging the palace jewellery. Reminding Lakshmana that he has lost as many as five polls, Mohan said that Lakshmana has been praising Tipu, who had terrorised Kannadigas and Hindus through his actions. He warned of massive agitations if the Congress continues to distort Mysuru's history.

Citywide anti-narcotics operation nets peddlers

Police teams, commando units and senior officers from Mysuru city are conducting daily patrols across tea stalls, isolated parks, corner shops and other vulnerable areas to track suspected drug activity. In addition to ground surveillance, vehicles are being thoroughly inspected on suspicion of transporting narcotics between localities.

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (PM,BLU& BCT)- Following the recent bust of a drug manufacturing unit in Mysuru, the City Police have intensified inspections and night patrols.

Last evening, two Marijuana (ganja) peddlers were arrested, and 83 grams of ganja were seized. In a separate operation, the Police recovered 1.5 kilograms of ganja that had been cultivated on vacant land at Udayagiri.

Over 129 individuals were subjected to medical screening, and cases have been registered against 14 persons for alleged drug consumption. Authorities have also issued externment (banishment) orders against several ganja peddlers.

The Police inspected autos, trucks and other vehicles parked in various localities and simultaneously carried out operations targeting traffic violations such as triple riding and rash driving, registering cases against offenders.

The coordinated operation was launched under the leadership of City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar. Deputy Commissioners of Police R.N. Bindu Mani and K.S. Sundar Raj, along with commando units and other officers, carried out foot patrols and inspected suspicious vehicles, individuals and commercial establishments.

Searches were also conducted in parks and isolated areas, specifically targeting individuals exhibiting suspicious behaviour. In addition, inspections were carried out at paying guest accommodations, hostels and student housing facilities.

Searches on since July 27

According to a release from the Police Commissioner's Office, as part of the ongoing intensive drive against Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS)-related activities, daily searches and seizures have been conducted city-wide since July 27.

Yesterday 14 cases were registered under the NDPS Act, with 129 suspects picked up for testing. Two accused were arrested, and a total of 83 grams of ganja were seized.

Two externment orders were issued in connection with NDPS Act violations. Around seven additional suspects were picked up and sent for consumption testing during the day's drive.

On Aug. 6, 12 cases were registered under Section 27 of the NDPS Act, with 140 suspects picked up for drug testing. Of these, 10 suspects remain under scrutiny. 860 grams of ganja were seized and one person was arrested.

As part of the crackdown, search warrants were executed at 11 college hostels. Several boys' PGs, private hostels and rented accommodations used by students were also inspected.

Peddler caught with ganja just 100 metres from ACP office

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BCT)- Even as the Police continue their widespread crackdown on drug networks, a ganja peddler was found operating brazenly just steps away from the Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) office.

The City Crime Branch (CCB) arrested Irfan Pasha alias Batana (31), a resident of Mandi Mohalla, who was allegedly transporting ganja near Ashoka Road, West 21st Cross, close to Kantharaj Park.

At around 3.40 pm on Wednesday, CCB personnel spotted Irfan standing with a suspicious-looking cover in hand. CCB sleuth Raju, who recognised the accused from earlier cases, approached him for questioning. Irfan attempted to flee, which further raised suspicions. Upon inspecting the cover, officers found approximately 860 grams of ganja.

CCB Inspector Shabbir Hussain was immediately informed and rushed to the scene along with Sub-Inspector Lepaksha and Head Constable Madhu Kumar. Following proper protocol, the contraband was seized in the presence of witnesses and the accused was taken into custody.

The incident occurred just 100 metres from both the ACP office and the CCB headquarters, underscoring the audacity of the operation. A case has been registered at the Mandi Mohalla Police Station and further investigation is underway.

Youth says foreigner gave him drug-laced cigarette!

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BCT)- A young man caught consuming narcotics in a public park has claimed that the substance was given to him by a foreign national.

The incident occurred around 7 pm on Wednesday, when Lakshmipuram Police personnel Raju Malagi and Basavaraj Muniyal were on patrol near Ballal Circle, close to Ananthaswamy Park in Krishnamurthypuram.

The officers noticed the youth in an intoxicated state and approached him. Upon questioning, he admitted to having consumed a drug-laced cigarette, allegedly handed to him by a foreigner near Chamundi Hill earlier that evening. He identified himself as Krishna, a tender coconut vendor.

The ongoing Police operations notwithstanding, drug users continue to indulge in their addiction across various Police station limits. Cases are being registered against dozens of individuals daily. Yet, the ease with which narcotics are being accessed — whether in parks, alleys or open grounds — raises serious concerns.

Authorities are now grappling with a troubling question: How are addicts still gaining such easy access to drugs despite intensified enforcement?

Youth arrested with 65-gram MDMA in Nazarbad; one flees

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&BCT)- Police have arrested a youth for allegedly selling MDMA from a residence in Nazarbad. The accused, identified as Soyam Jain, was caught during a raid, while his associate, Babil, managed to escape.

Acting on a tip-off about drug sales at a house in the area, Nazarbad Police conducted a swift operation. During the raid, Soyam Jain was found in possession of 65 grams of MDMA, a synthetic party drug. Babil, who was also present at the scene, fled before officers could arrest him.

Police have launched a search operation to trace the absconding suspect and are continuing their investigation into the network behind the illegal drug trade.

Dasara grandeur unveiled at Ramsons Bombe Mane

***Raja Krishnappa Nayak of the erstwhile Surpur Bahari Bahadur royal family** (second from right), holding a doll during the inauguration of Ramsons Bombe Mane, in city yesterday, as Art Historian and Curator Dharmendra, Helen Philon, Co-Founder and Trustee of Deccan Heritage Foundation and Stephane Bloch Saloz, Trustee of the Foundation and others look on.*

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (PM&BS)- The 21st edition of Ramsons Bombe Mane (Ramsons House of Dolls) by Ramsons Kala Pratishtana at Nazarbad in city, was inaugurated by Raja Krishnappa Nayaka, titular head of the erstwhile Surpur Bahari Bahadur royal family, yesterday.

The special galleries were inaugurated by Helen Philon, Co-Founder and Trustee of Deccan Heritage Foundation and Stephane Bloch Saloz, Trustee of the Foundation.

Nada Habba Mysuru Dasara, the big-ticket event of the State, that depicts the bygone era of Wadiyars, the erstwhile rulers of the princely Mysore State, is recreated with the precise arrangement of dolls. *Khas Durbar* (private durbar) of the Maharaja, *Shami Vruksha Puja, padapuja* of Maharaja by the Maharani, *Saraswati Puja, Ayudha Puja* and other prominent customs and tradition still in practice, are brought to life here.

Nalwadi, royal courtiers...

Mention must be made of the most celebrated erstwhile Maharaja of Mysore Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, the doll of who has been deftly carved by the artists of Kolhapur. The royal courtiers and relatives of the royal family, have been artistically recreated by the artists from Jaipur.

The dolls of Gayathri, Meenakshi, Kamakshi, Indrakshi and Vishalakshi, have been arranged in the order of Mysore style paintings, evoking a sense of devotion. The special gallery tells the story of Lord Hanuman's saga of adventure.

Lord Hanuman's divinity

Hanumad Vilasa, the highlight of the special gallery, unveils the *leele* (divine play) of Lord Hanuman, who is integral to the epic Ramayana.

From the fun and frolic childhood of Hanuman to his association with Lord Ram, starting from his meeting with Lord Ram, alliance with Sugreeva, meeting with Sita, *Lanka Dahan* (setting Lanka on fire), *Samudralanghana* (crossing the ocean), *Sethu bandhana* (building of bridge across the ocean), *Ravana Samhara* (killing of demon king Ravana) and *Rama Pattabhisheka* (coronation of Lord Ram), are suffice to revisit the tale of Hanuman.

12 States

Thousands of dolls embodying the significance of over 12 States like Karnataka: Mysore, Channapatna and Kinnal dolls. Tamil Nadu: Tanjavur, Madurai, Kadalur, Pudukotai and Kanchipuram. Andhra Pradesh: Kondapalli and Ettikoppa. Telangana: Nirmal. Puducherry. Rajasthan: Jaipur and Jodhpur. Gujarat. Uttar Pradesh: Aligarh, Varanasi and Saranath. West Bengal: Krishna Nagar, Bankoda and Kolkatta. Maharashtra: Kolhapur. Odisha and Kerala States.

Srikanth Sharma from Bombe Rangamandira in city, presented some of sequences of Ramayana through *salaake bombeyaata*, a form of puppet show.

The dolls are exhibited throughout the year and the public may visit between 10 am and 7 pm.

Art historian and Curator Raghu Dharmendra and Secretary of Ramsons Kala Pratishtana R.G. Singh and others were present during the inauguration.

KSCA Maharani Trophy - 2025

Mysore Warriors thump Mangaluru Dragons

Rachitha Hatwar of Mysore Warriors seen receiving the Cycle Pure Most Trusted Player of Match award at Alur Grounds in Bengaluru yesterday.

Bengaluru, Aug. 8- Mysore Warriors women clinched an eight-wicket victory against Mangaluru Dragons in the ongoing Maharani Trophy KSCA T20 at the KSCA Cricket Ground in Alur, here yesterday.

Mysore Warriors, who won the toss and elected to bowl, restricted Mangaluru Dragons to 97/5 in 11 overs.

Ahlam Syed and Sahana Pawar, were instrumental in restricting the Dragons, picking two wickets each.

In reply, magnificent performance from captain Shubha Satheesh, who scored a brilliant 47 runs off just 32 balls, Mysore Warriors reached the target with ease. Shubha's innings, which included 7 fours and 1 six, anchored the chase. She was well-supported by Rachitha Hatwar, who contributed a rapid 39 runs from 24 balls, including 3 fours and 2 sixes. The Warriors finished the game at 98 for 2 in just 10.3 overs, sealing a convincing victory. Shubha Satheesh was awarded with Orange Cap for the outstanding performance.

Mysore Warriors will face Bengaluru Blasters in their next match scheduled today.

Brief Score: Mangaluru Dragons-97 for 5 in 11 overs (C.U. Inchana 37, Prerana Rajesh 29, Ahlam Syed 2/27, Sahana Pawar 2/20) lost to Mysore Warriors-98 for 2 in 11 overs (Shubha Satheesh 47, Rachitha Hatwar 39, P. Saloni 1/19).

Staging of 'Sheshagrastharu', 'Sharmiste' at Kirurangamandira

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (GA&VNS)- Bengaluru's Rangasampada Theatre Group, will be staging the plays 'Sheshagrastharu' and 'Sharmiste' at Kirurangamandira in Kalamandira on Aug. 9 and Aug. 10 respectively, said Rangasampada Treasurer Shivalinga Prasad, here yesterday.

Speaking to media persons, he said that the play 'Sharmiste' starring renowned actress and former minister Umashree has received overwhelming response from Mysureans.

"The play Sheshagrastharu', which has completed eight shows till date, is being staged for first time in Mysuru. The play is about situations between father and son during COVID-19," he said. The tickets are available on Bookmyshow. The discount is provided on combo tickets for both the shows.

Umashree in Sharmiste

For details, contact 94489 30970.

Akmal Pasha, M. Chandrakant and V. Vittal were present in the press meet.

Road connecting B.M. Sri Nagar, Metagalli to be closed for three days

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (MK&VNS) - The road connecting B.M. Sri Nagar and Metagalli will be partially closed near the Railway Level Crossing, following the maintenance works taken up by South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru division. The road will be closed for a period of three days between 8 am of Aug. 9 (tomorrow) and 6 pm of Aug. 11.

The South Western Railway has been replacing old railway tracks with new tracks between Mysuru and Arasikere in Hassan. The SWR officials at the site, said that the replacement of the tracks would increase the speed of trains from existing 70 kmph to 100 kmph.

Traffic diversions have also been announced by the Mysore City Traffic Police for the safety of general public and vehicles. Those travelling towards B.M. Sri Nagar through Outer Ring Road (ORR) must continue till Road Under Bridge near Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL) and take a U-Turn to pass through Road Under Bridge (RUB) and Karakushalanagar to reach B.M. Sri Nagar.

Another alternative route would be through RUB on Jawa Road to reach B.M. Sri Nagar.

It may be recalled that KRS Road was also closed for a day for similar works during March.

SWR to take up track replacement works from tomorrow

Thieves break into shops, make away with 10-15 rice bags at APMC

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&BS)- Burglars broke into two shops at Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC) at Bandipalya near the Outer Ring Road (ORR) junction on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road and decamped with sacks of rice from one of the shops, yesterday night.

While the burglars have broke opened the shutter of a shop at 'A' block of the market yard, to find a negligible sum of amount in the cash box, which is reportedly left untouched, they made away with about 10 to 15 sacks of rice, from another shop on 'C' block. The thieves had brought a goods vehicle, in which they fled away with the booty, said a Police source.

While the Police have been investigating the case on the basis of Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) camera footage, obtained from the cameras installed by the traders at the shops' premises, most of the CCTV cameras installed by the APMC in whole of the yard, have gone defunct.

With the civil works underway near the main entrance of APMC facing Mysuru-Nanjangud Road, the backside gate, which leads towards old Uttanahalli Road, is most accessed by the traders and customers. The CCTV cameras installed at this gate too have gone kaput, with the security guards manning the same in shifts.

Mysuru South (Rural) Police visited the spot. A case has been registered and investigation is on.

CM, Dy.CM to lay foundation stone for new Congress Bhavan in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (MK&KS)- The ground breaking ceremony and foundation stone laying for the new Congress Bhavan in city will be held on Aug. 9, said District Congress President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar.

He was speaking during the preliminary meeting held in this regard at the Congress Office near City Railway Station on JLB Road here on Aug. 6.

Continuing, he said that on Aug. 9 at 11 am, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar will lay the foundation stone during which Ministers Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and K. Venkatesh, MLAs Tanveer Sait, Anil Chikkamadu, K. Harishgowda, Darshan Dhruvanarayan, Ganesh Prasad and others will be present.

Pointing out that a lot of efforts were made to construct Congress Bhavan in city post independence, Dr. Vijaykumar said that it had not materialised then and now the time had come to construct the Congress Bhavan.

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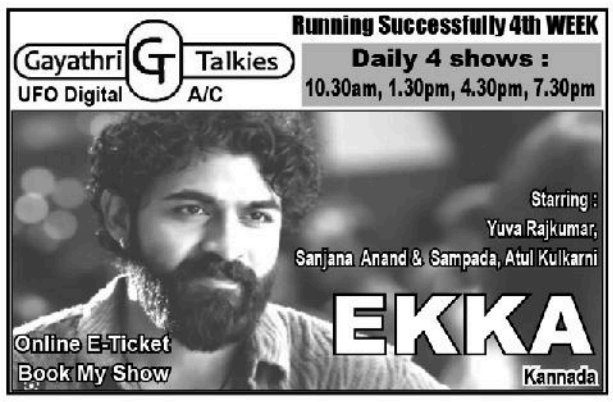

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The Board of Management has decided to award Merit Scholarship to the **children of share holders (member only)** who have secured more than 60% marks in **SSLC** and II year **PUC** Passed during the academic year **2024-2025.** The Scholarship will be distributed to selected students in the **110th Annual General Body Meeting** schedule to be held on **Sunday, 07-09-2025.**
Among the applications received,30 students from SSLC & 30 students from II year PUC will be selected purely on the basis of the Merit.
Application forms can be obtained from the I/C Chief Executive Officer of the Bank during Business hours on producing share pass book.
The last date to submit the filled in application will be **25-08-2025 till 7.30 PM.**
By order of the Board of Management
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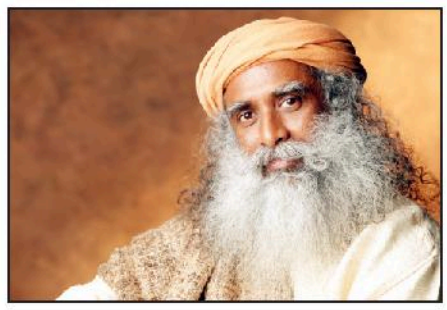

By Sadhguru - Founder, Isha Foundation

Dreams and Karma

When an individual dreams, it is called a fantasy. When a group of people dream, it becomes a society. When the universal dreams, it generally passes off as reality. A dream is a certain reality, and reality is a certain dream. The best thing about a dream is, when you wake up, it's over. So it is with the so-called reality — when you wake up, it's over.

You know reality only the way your senses interpret it for you, not the way it is. So what you call "reality" and what you call "dream" is an interpretation of your mind. What happens in your mind is another kind of reality. We can call it "psychological reality." For most people, their dream is far more powerful than their thought process. Unfortunately, they don't remember most of it.

Unwinding Karma

The process of life can be interpreted as an unwinding of that which has already been done. So we say, "Your life is the way it is because that's your karma." But life situations may not collaborate very well with the karmic substance that you have. In a dream, you are able to create an atmosphere that is conducive for the kind of winding that you have. If life has gone beyond the unconscious unwinding of karma and has become a conscious process, then, wakefulness is more meaningful. If life is limited to unwinding of that which has already been done, a dream is definitely a better space to do it.

In the yogic culture, Shiva, the Mahadeva, is

described either as utter sleep or absolute wakefulness. This is the state of a fully conscious one: either he does not exist, or he is on. There is no in-between reality for him because if there is nothing to unwind, there will be only stillness and awakening. There will be no dream state. When I say "dream," I'm not talking only about the scenery that happens when you are asleep. Even with your eyes open, your experience of the creation is completely dreamy. It is not the way it is.

Can you accumulate karma in a dream? The accumulation of karma is in the volition of one's action. There is no volition in a dream. So a dream is only a process of unwinding. Even during the day, most of the time you are only unwinding that which has already been done. Your anger, your ambition, your frustration, your love, your passion, your hatred, most of this is only unwinding of karma, not your doing. This unwinding of the karmic process seems so real, seems like it is you who is doing this. When one believes that whatever he is doing, he is doing out of his intentions, it is a very basic state of ignorance.

Shedding self-interest

There is a chant that says, "It's all you, Mahadeva, it's all you. My evil is my mind's doing, my actions are my body's doing – where am I? I don't even exist. It is all yours." If a true devotee says this, it is a very beautiful state of realization. If the mind says this, it is a very gross level of cunning. Only if you are willing to pass both your likes and dislikes, failure and success, your wellbeing and distress to someone, it's okay. If you are only willing to pass your distress, not your wellbeing — you are trying to make a bad deal with someone. Only an absolute fool will buy this deal.

When human beings get more and more intelligent, they are less and less concerned about their self-interest. If one's intelligence truly flowers, he has no self-interest. Being interested in the limited self when he could be interested and involved in the grandeur of the cosmos, is a foolish thing. It's a terrible loss that is happening to an individual human being and to humanity as a whole.

[Sadhguru is a yogi, mystic, visionary and a prominent spiritual leader. An author, poet and internationally-renowned speaker, Sadhguru's wit and piercing logic provoke and widen our perception of life.

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200 native rice varieties to be showcased at Desi Akki Mela

Two-day event with cooking contests at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry from Aug. 9

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (TRR)- Mysuru city is all set to host a two-day Desi Akki Mela from tomorrow (Aug. 9) at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, as part of an awareness campaign aimed at educating both consumers and merchants about the many varieties of naturally grown paddy. The event is being organised by 'Sahaja Samrudha' and 'Save Our Rice'. It will be open for visitors from 10 am to 8 pm.

Over 200 traditional paddy varieties will be showcased at the Mela and will be available for purchase, especially for sowing during the upcoming monsoon season. In addition, the event will feature organic products, fruits, vegetables, native seeds and various value-added products for sale.

Rice richness of Old Mysore region

The Old Mysuru region was once renowned for its diverse paddy varieties such as Rajamudi, Ratnachudi, Rajabhoga, Putta Battha, Bangara Kaddi and others. The rice from these varieties was widely used to prepare dishes that were not only delicious but also highly nutritious.

However, in recent times, people have been drawn to polished white rice, which has been linked to various health issues. The Desi Akki Mela aims to highlight and promote a wide range of healthier alternatives, including red, cream, black and aromatic rice varieties.

In addition to Karnataka's own Karigajivili, Rajamudi, Doddyaga, Dodda Byra Nellu, Sidda Sanna and Rajabhoga, the Mela will also feature popular native rice varieties from other states—such as Kala Namak from Uttar Pradesh, Kalajeera from Odisha, Komal Chawal from Assam, Mapillai Samba from Tamil Nadu and Chitti Muthyalu from Andhra Pradesh.

To introduce younger generations to India's rich food heritage, a Desi Cooking Contest will also be held as part of the two-day event. Interested participants must bring a dish prepared at home using any variety of desi rice to the venue at 11 am on Aug. 10. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three entries.

A drawing contest for children is also being organised under the theme 'The World of Rice I Saw'. The contest is open to two age categories: 5-10 years and 10-15 years. Participants must complete their drawings at home and submit them at the venue by 11 am on Aug. 10. Six selected entries will receive prizes. For details contact Manju on Mob.: 70900-09944.

MDA to review 300 CA sites applications

(Continued from page 1)

Following the notification, hundreds of Government bodies and Government-allied institutions submitted applications. A Sub-Committee was then formed to verify the authenticity and eligibility of the applicants. This Committee conducted background checks and site visits to determine the genuineness of each applicant.

The Sub-Committee is expected to submit its report to MDA today, and the matter will be taken up for discussion. The final decision of MDA will be communicated after meeting by MDA Chairman G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, also the Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Mysuru.

Velodrome project

The MDA meeting is also expected to deliberate on the much-anticipated velodrome project proposed at Hanchya-Sathagalli. The Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES) has planned a full-fledged sports complex in the area, which includes a state-of-the-art velodrome.

Sources revealed that the velodrome will be established on a 17-acre land adjacent to Visvesvaraya Technological University Regional Centre. The site lies along Outer Ring Road, between Deve Gowda Circle and KSRTC Sathagalli Bus Depot, within the Hanchya-Sathagalli Layout 'B Zone.'

A budget of Rs. 10 crore for the velodrome was allocated by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah in 2023–24 Budget. A velodrome is a specialised arena for track cycling, featuring a steeply banked oval track with two 180-degree bends connected by straight sections. Unlike MUDA meetings, which are dominated by elected representatives, MDA meeting is attended by officials.

MDA Commissioner K.R. Rakshith, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif, MDA Secretary K. Johnson, MDA Executive Committee Members, Joint Secretary of Urban Development Department (Development Authorities Division) and Chief Engineer of CESC were present.

Miraculous escape

- **Bus overturns enroute Chamundi Hill; eight passengers, driver, conductor sustain minor injuries**
- **Bus steering locks, hits median and falls on to adjacent right-side lane**
- **Incident near Gaali Gopura junction View Point**

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (MTY&BS)- A newly deployed Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) bus of Kuvempunagar depot, met with an accident on Chamundi Hill Road in the city last evening. The eight passengers in the bus, had a providential escape with minor injuries, as the bus overturned, after falling to the adjacent right side lane of the road, disrupting the smooth flow of traffic for some time.

Bindu, aged 19-years and resident of Nayakara Beedhi atop the hill, who suffered injuries in the incident, was admitted to a private hospital, where she is recovering, it is said.

The incident occurred at around 4.30 pm, when the driver of the bus (KA 09 F 5584), lost control of the vehicle, as the steering reportedly got locked. Unable to manoeuvre the vehicle, he hit the median before the vehicle fell onto the other side of the road.

Driver's version

According to bus driver Mallikarjuna Swamy, the bus had departed the depot at around 4 pm and no technical snag came to notice at that time. As the bus was moving through the View Point on the Chamundi Hill Road, the steering got locked and the vehicle started veering towards the right side. He tried his best to control the vehicle, but the vehicle ploughed through the median, falling from the height of five feet, into the other side of the road. The passengers were pulled out to safety and consoled, added Mallikarjuna Swamy, who was accompanied by conductor at the time of the incident.

It is also said that, the speed of the vehicle instantly reduced below 30-km, while negotiating the curve near *Gaali Gopura* junction and brushed past the median, before leading to the collapse of the median wall.

Ironically, the KSRTC crane summoned to lift the bus, turned into a squib, as the rope of the crane got cut and the bus fell down again. Fortunately, there were none beneath the bus or in the surroundings.

Newly purchased

The bus was added to the fleet of KSRTC just six months ago. The new buses boast of high end technology and the steering gets automatically locked, the moment the engine is turned off. However, during the yesterday's accident, the steering of the bus jammed, while the engine was on and vehicle was still on the move, casting aspersions about its technical features.

DCP (Crime and Traffic) K.S. Sundar Raj, ACP (Traffic) Shivashankar, Siddarthanagar Traffic Inspector Sridhar, KSRTC Divisional Controller (Urban) H.P. Veeresh, KSRTC Divisional Mechanical Engineer (DME) Jayakumar and Kuvempunagar Depot Manager Chetan Kumar visited the spot.

Drivers held for fleeing with employer's jewellery

Begur (Gundlupet), Aug. 8 (KS) - Two car drivers, who had fled with a bag containing gold jewellery belonging to their employer have been arrested by Begur Police.

The accused are 33-year-old Manjunath alias Ravi of Bhuvaneshwari Nagar in Doddaballapur and 38-year-old Girish, a resident of Devalapura in Mysuru taluk.

The Police, who have recovered the gold ornaments, produced the two accused before a Court, which remanded them to judicial custody.

Jayaram and Shilpa Jayaram couple, residents of SS Nagar, Bannimantap in Mysuru, who had to go to Calicut in Kerala, took their drivers Manjunath and Girish along with them in their car. The couple also carried their gold jewellery with them as they felt it was safe, instead of keeping the jewellery at home.

On their way, they stopped near Begur KSRTC Bus Stand and went to a restaurant, leaving the jewellery bag in the car. The drivers, who had learnt about the bag containing gold jewellery, stole the jewellery bag and fled in a bus. The couple, who returned to the car from the restaurant, found the jewellery bag missing and lodged a complaint with Begur Police.

Chamarajanagar Superintendent of Police (SP) Dr. B.T. Kavitha, Additional SP M.N. Shashidhar and Chamarajanagar Sub-Division Dy.SP Lakshmaiah constituted a team comprising Begur Inspector V.C. Vanaraju, Sub-Inspector Naveen, Lokesh and other Police personnel to probe the case.

The accused drivers were arrested and the valuables were recovered.

The investigation team included J.N. Puttaraju, Ajith Kumar, Diwakar, Shankaralingegowda, Sachin, Raju, Harish, Shivakumar and Cyber Crime division's Venkatesh and Shankarnag.

Text to girl sparks assault; Police case booked

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (BLU&KS)- A youth, who had sent a text message to a girl, was brutally assaulted by the girl's lover and his accomplices, at Sharadadevinagar in city on Wednesday.

The youth is identified as Vinod of Sharadadevinagar.

It is said that, Vinod had sent a message to a girl known to him on her phone and the girl in turn informed about the message to her boyfriend Karthik.

Angered over Vinod sending message to his lover, Karthik, along with his friends Arjun, Prashanth, Guru and Tarun went near Bankers Club at Sharadadevinagar, where they found Vinod hanging out with his friends Abhilash and Guru.

Karthik and his friends allegedly attacked Vinod with iron rods. When Abhilash and Guru tried to intervene, they had to suffer the wrath of the assailants, who assaulted them before fleeing from the spot. The passersby admitted Vinod, Abhilash and Guru, who had collapsed due to severe bleeding, to a hospital.

A case has been registered at Saraswathipuram Police Station.

Youth arrested on charges of stabbing woman over petty issue

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (VVH&KS)- Narasimharaja (NR) Police have arrested a youth on the charges of stabbing a woman with a dagger, over a petty issue at Gandhinagar in city last night.

It is said that the youth, was sitting in front of the house of the woman and smoking when the latter objected to it. The youth got infuriated and allegedly hit the woman with a stone. Meanwhile, the woman's 47-year-old daughter rushed to her mother's help, but the youth reportedly pulled out a dagger and stabbed her, following which the residents rushed to her help and admitted her to a private hospital in the city.

Narasimharaja Inspector Lakshmikanth K. Talawar and staff, who visited the spot, arrested the youth.

During the inquiry, the youth reportedly said that he was drunk and got angered after the woman scolded him and hence he stabbed her with a dagger.

The woman in her complaint has stated that the youth, was smoking ganja, prompting the Police to decide on subjecting him to medical test today (Aug. 8). If the report tests positive for consuming ganja, a case will be registered against him under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act.

Sincere efforts will be made to provide justice to the injured woman, who is undergoing treatment at a private hospital, Inspector Lakshmikanth Talawar added.

Meanwhile, the residents, who endorsed the statement of the victim, stated that the accused was also a ganja addict and was indulge in fights frequently.

They also complained about many youths smoking ganja inside the nearby park and urged the Police to take action.

Chinnaswamy Stadium stampede incident

Vatal Nagaraj demands Rs. 5 crore relief to families of 11 victims

Mysuru, Aug. 8 (MTY&KS)- Demanding Rs. 5 crore compensation to the families of 11 persons, who died in the stampede at Chinnaswamy Stadium during Royal Challengers Bengaluru's (RCB) victory celebration in Bengaluru on June 4, pro-Kannada activist and Kannada Chaluvali Vatal Paksha President Vatal Nagaraj and Party workers staged a protest near Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle (formerly Hardinge Circle) in the city recently.

Pointing out that the State Government, has put the blame on RCB Management for the tragedy, Vatal Nagaraj questioned whether the Government lacked any responsibility. "Whoever may be responsible for the tragedy, provide Rs. 5 crore compensation first," he demanded.

Pro Kannada activists Nanjundaswamy and Parthasarathy. Karnataka Sena Pade President Tejesh Lokesh Gowda, Suresh, Shivakumar, Radhakrishna, Kumar, Hanumantaiah, Prabhakar, Raghu Urs, Basavaraju, Ravish, Darshan Gowda, Vishnu and others were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Largesse

Pronunciation: lahr-ZHESS (Noun)
Meaning: Largesse is a somewhat formal word that refers to the act of giving away money or generosity of a person who gives away money. It can also refer to the money that is given away.
Origin: The English language has benefited from the largesse of Anglo-French, through which a generous number of words have passed; examples range from simple to account to desert. English speakers owe Anglo-French a huge thanks, in particular, for its adjective large. That word, meaning "generous, broad, or wide," is the source of both largesse and the familiar duo of large and enlarge. Most people understand enlarge to mean "to make larger," but a less common sense (used in Shakespeare's Henry V) is "to set free." Largesse also contains the notion of freedom, specifically with regard to a lack of financial constraints: it's not about having a "large" amount of money but rather being "free" with it. Incidentally, the English word large wasn't about size when it was first adopted in the 13th century. Back then it meant "lavish."
Example: "Over the years, ShelterBox USA, an outgrowth of the Rotary Club and named for the relief boxes it distributes, has helped nearly 3 million people in some of the world's worst disaster zones. It hands out basic survival needs: tents, tools, and household supplies. Twice the organization has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for its life-preserving largesse." —The Olney (Texas) Enterprise, 20 Mar. 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Oubliette

A secret dungeon with an opening only in the ceiling.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

A Taste of Your Own Medicine

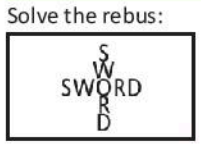
Meaning: You use the expression 'A Taste of Your Own Medicine' to indicate that someone is sampling the same unpleasantness they've been dishing out to others.
Origin: The origin of the phrase 'a taste of your own medicine' comes from Aesop's famous story about a swindler who sells fake medicine, claiming that it can cure anything. When he falls ill, people give him his own medicine, which he knows will not work.
Example: "I don't feel at all sorry that people are calling you names. You're getting a taste of your own medicine."

QUOTE BOX

To advise is not to compel. **—Anton Chekhov**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:



Answer: Crossed Swords.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Local Area Network
4 1052 in Roman numerals
8 Pugilist's triumph
11 Airline-Selected Equip.
12 Bit player
14 Central part of wheel
15 Unused
16 One month of Jewish calendar
17 U-turn from WSW
18 Fruits of the palm tree
20 Piquant
22 Disfigure, deface, or scar
24 VI for Virgil
25 Mimics
28 Toward the rear
30 Large deciduous trees
34 Dundee denial
35 Regional Airline Assoc.
36 Abu Dhabi locale
37 Fleming villain (2,2)
39 Abstract being?
40 Yeoman officer
41 A long way
43 Clothing edge
45 Realities
48 Hazardous
52 Clod
53 Jewelled head-dress
57 Zodiac name
58 Gad's son ?
59 Vivas
60 Over in verse
61 Dead _____: determined attack or initiative?
62 Otherwise
63 Estimated life expectancy

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	G	E	■	A	V	E	R	■	I	C	B	M
G	O	T	■	F	A	R	O	■	M	A	Y	A
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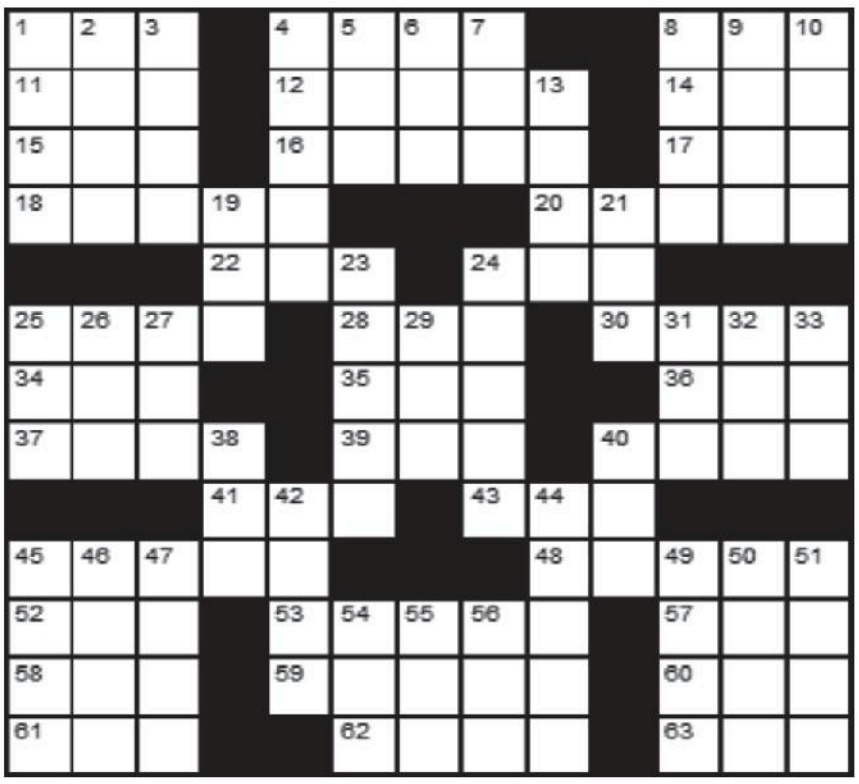
F	A	N	G	■	D	I	E	U	■	O	R	A
A	I	A	A	■	E	P	I	C	■	I	C	Y
R	A	N	I	■	N	O	A	H	■	L	A	S

DOWN
1 Country
2 On the briny
3 Small amphibian of the salamander family
4 High-IQ society
5 61 in Roman numerals
6 ___ an ill wind that blows nobody good?
7 Irish Republican Army, acronym
8 Now and ___ : from time to time; intermittently?
9 Martial art ___ fu
10 Follow orders
13 Not in favour of
19 Printing measures
21 Get rid of
23 Harder to find
24 Conceal; put away in a safe place
25 Besides, also
26 Golfer's score
27 Even, contracted by a poet ?
29 Devoted follower
31 Unit of illumination
32 China's ex-Chairman
33 A Japanese copper coin
38 Frequently
40 Loan instalment
42 Regarding (2,2)
44 Delete
45 Enemies, not friends
46 Swiss river - change of "area"?
47 Controlled Flight into Terrain
49 Fruit of blackthorn
50 Base of a ship
51 Time past
54 Dander
55 East Indian shrub
56 Literary monogram



SUDOKU

				5		2		
5					8			
		3	4			7		9
4		8			2	3		6
6		1	8			5		4
3		9			6	1		
			2					7
		4		7				

Answer to previous puzzle

2	8	5	3	9	1	4	7	6
1	9	4	2	7	6	5	8	3
6	3	7	8	5	4	1	2	9
3	4	1	5	6	7	8	9	2
7	5	8	4	2	9	3	6	1
9	2	6	1	8	3	7	4	5
8	1	2	6	4	5	9	3	7
5	6	9	7	3	8	2	1	4
4	7	3	9	1	2	6	5	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VCFBF YU HWIQ HWF VCYWZ L ACYIHUHACFB

OLW MF BFIYFX JAHW VH XH, LWX VCLV YU VH

OHWVBLXYOV HVCFB ACYIHUHACFBU.

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: We are not in a position in which we have nothing to work with. We already have capacities, talents, direction, missions, callings.

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	(S-4)	10.20 am, 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Saiyaara (H)	(S-1)	12.55 pm
Freakier Friday (E)	(S-2)	3.05 pm, 7.50 pm
A Wedding Story (H)	(S-2)	7.50 pm
Sahasam (M)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	(S-3)	10.25 am, 1.10 pm
Udaipur Files Kanhaiya Lal (H)	(S-3)	7.10 pm
Weapons (E)	(S-3)	10.00 pm

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Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	10.50 am, 4.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (H-3D)	:	1.40 pm, 7.20 pm
Bhaag Milkha Bhaag (H-2D)	:	11.10 am
Ekka (K)	:	1.10 pm
Rajadrohi (K)	:	2.55 pm
Freakier Friday (E)	:	3.20 pm
Weapons (E)	:	3.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	4.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Athadu (Te)	:	6.10 pm
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Thalaivan Thalaivii (Ta)	:	10.35 pm
Freakier Friday (E)	:	11.10 am, 7.30 pm
Mahavatar Narsimha (H-3D)	:	11.15 pm, 5.00 pm, 7.45 pm
Zora (H)	:	12.20 pm
Weapons (E)	:	1.30 pm, 7.30 pm
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Dhadak - 2 (H)	:	2.00 pm
Putulnacher Itikatha (Bengali)	:	3.00 pm
Saiyaara (H)	:	4.15 pm, 10.10 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	4.20 pm
Together (E)	:	5.40 pm
Ghich Pich (H)	:	8.00 pm
Andaaz 2 (H)	:	10.00 pm
Superman (E)	:	10.20 pm
Son of Sardaar 2 (H)	:	10.30 pm

EVENTS TODAY (AUGUST 8)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** 21st edition of Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, Main Road, Nazarbad, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Sahara Arts and Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Scouts & Guides Ground, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series, mass prayer, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani' (written by Lakkanna Dandesha) by Dr. B.V. Vasanthkumar, Vaachana by Vid. K. Ramachandra, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** Drishya-Kathana, Anil Kumar Jagaluru's Pencil Sketch Exhibition along with the stories around those photos, Smitha Shivaswamy and George Supreeth, Co-Founders of Nabachika Foundation (a non-profit that works in the area of citizen arts), will inaugurate, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUGUST 9)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** 21st edition of Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, Main Road, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Sahara Arts and Crafts:** Shopping Festival, Scouts & Guides Ground, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Railway Pensioners Welfare Association:** Monthly meeting, President Parthasarsthy presides, Association Working President R. Basavaraju and General Secretary G.S. Swaminathan will be present, Association office, Seshadri Iyer Road, **11.30 am.**
- **Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali-Kannada:** Kathe Kelona Banni-892, story-telling by Prabha Shastri Joshyula, Poetess, Writer, Translator & Singer, Mysuru, Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Science Sanje, Dr. Suryanarayana Sharma, Senior Neurologist and Stroke Expert, Apollo Hospital, Bengaluru, delivers a talk on 'Stroke,' **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Moonlight Music-282, vocal concert by Vidu. Dr. Shubhamangala Raghunandan, accompanied by Vid. G. Venkatesh Joisar on violin, Vid. Dr. C. Chaluvaraju on mridanga and Vid. N. Gurumurthy on ghata, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Paramahamsanandaji speaks on 'Cleansing our Chitta - according to Bhagavad Gita' in English, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm to 6.50 pm.**
- **Dixit Aarogya Dhaama, Mysuru:** Aananda-Aarogya programme, light music concert by Vid. D.K. Jaswanth, accompanied by Kalashree Ganesh Bhat on keyboard and Pt. Sujayeendra Rao on tabla; Discourse on 'Psoriasis - Challenge for the skin' by Dixit Aarogya Dhaama Director Dr. C.S. Anil Kumar, #12, Main Road, C Block, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **6 pm.** [Ph: 0821-2511619]
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**
- **Surabhi Ganakala Mandira Charitable Trust:** 'Yuva Sourabha - New Series,' Sangeetha Vidushi Dr. R.N. Srilath chief guest, Karnatak Classical Music Concert by Vidu. Lavanya Krishnamurthy (Bengaluru), accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi (Mysuru) on violin, Vid. B.S. Prashanth (Bengaluru) on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik (Mysuru) on ghata, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **5.30 pm.**

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Rajadrohi (K)	:	10.30 am
Mahavatar Narsimha (K-3D)	:	11.00 am, 1.45 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 10 pm
Thalaivan Thalaivii (Ta)	:	4.25 pm
Sahasam (Ma)	:	7.10 pm
Sumathi Valavu (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Judicial Department training allowance

Mysuru, Aug. 8- The Minority Welfare Department of Mysuru district has invited applications from eligible minority candidates to provide training allowance for training in the Judicial Department for the year 2025-26. Muslim, Christian, Jain, Buddhist, Sikh and Parsi candidates, who have obtained Degree in Law in the year 2025-26 and coming under the jurisdiction of Mysuru district are eligible to apply.

The annual income of the candidate's family should not exceed Rs. 3.50 lakh. The candidate should have registered his name with the Bar Council. The candidate's age should be less than 30 years as on the last date for submission of applications and the candidate should have passed the prescribed Law Examination and have been practicing as an Advocate for 2 years as on the last date for receipt of applications.

The last date for distribution and receipt of applications for training is Sept. 4 (before 5 pm).

For more information, contact Ph: 0821-2422088 during office hours or visit the District Officer's Office, Minority Welfare Department, # CA No. 1, Maulana Azad Bhavan, opposite Dandina Maramma Temple, Mysuru-Bengaluru Road, Mysuru-570007, according to District Officer of the Minority Welfare Department of Mysuru district.

Aananda-Aarogya programme

Mysuru, Aug. 8- As part of its Aananda-Aarogya programme, Dixit Aarogya Dhaama, Mysuru, has organised a light music concert by Vid. D.K. Jaswanth at #12, Main Road, C-Block, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, tomorrow (Aug. 9) at 6 pm. He will be accompanied by Kalashree Ganesh Bhat on keyboard and Pt. Sujayendra Rao on tabla. On the occasion, Dixit Aarogya Dhaama Director Dr. C.S. Anil Kumar will deliver a discourse on 'Psoriasis - Challenge for the skin.' [Ph: 0821-2511619]

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